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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS HELICOPTER PROJECT

REF: RANGOON 2147

1. RE PARA 1 REFTEL, THAI PIO/C (40040) DRAFTED TO CONFORM TO STANDARDIZATION PLANS OF TNPD FLEET. SHOULD GUB DECIDE TO UPDATE AVIONICS SYSTEMS, BURMESE MAY WISH TO BE IN-FORMED ABOUT LATEST SUCH EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE WHICH INCLUDES, FOR EXAMPLE, U.S. ARMY STANDARD LIGHTWEIGHT AVIONICS EQUIPMENT (SLAE). THIS EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FROM COMMERCIAL SUPPLIER (SYLVANIA AND CONSISTS OF FOLLOWING:

A. AN/ARC 114-VHF-FM FREQ. RANGE 30.MHZ TO 75.95 MHZ, 10 WATT RF OUTPUT W/RETRANS, HOMING, GUARD RECEIVER AND DIGITAL DATA TRANSMISSION CAPABILITY. WT 7 LBS 920 CHANNELS W/ 50 KHZ SPACING.

B. AN/ARC 115-VHF-AM FREQ. RANGE 116.0 TO 149.975, MHZ 10
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WATT RF CARRIER OUTPUT W/RETRANS, HOMING/DF, AND GUARD

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RECEIVER CAPABILITY. WEIGHT 7.2 LBS. 1,360 CHANNELS W/25 KHZ SPACING.

C. AN/ARC 116 UHF-AM, FREQ. RANGE 225.0 TO 399.95 MHZ, 10 WATT CARRIER OUTPUT W/RETRANS, GUARD RECEIVER, AND W/ ADDITION OF ARA 50 PROVIDES HOMING CAPABILITY. WEIGHT

8.6 LBS, 3500 CHANNELS W/50 KHZ SPACING.

D. AN/ARN - 89, ADF

2. ALL ABOVE UNITS ARE SOLID STATE, MODULAR CONSTRUCTION. A TEST FACILITIES KIT (MK-994/AR ALSO IS AVAILABLE WHICH PROVIDES, IN ONE UNIT, A TEST CAPABILITY FOR ALL ABOVE TRANSCEIVERS. THIS UNIT PERMITS EQUIPMENT UNDER TEST TO BE TROUBLESHOT AND FAULT-ISOLATED TO A QUICK REPLACEABLE ASSEMBLY.

3. RE PARA 2 REFTEL, PIO/C SHOULD ALSO CONTAIN PROVI-SIONS FOR SPECIAL TOOLS, ANCILLIARY EQUIPMENT AS REQUIRED; FACTORY TECHNICAL REPRESENTATION; TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS (2 COPIES EACH AIRCRAFT) FREE INDEFINITE PUBLICATION REVISION SERVICE; TRAINING FOR AIRFRAME, ELECTRICAL, INSTRUMENT AND ENGINE MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL. TOTAL PIO/C VALUE SHOULD BE 4.76 MILLION DOLS. (SEE PARA 6 FOR TOTAL TRAINING COST).

4. RE PARA 3, REFTEL, PIO/P - (PARTICIPANT TRAINING) SHOULD BE ISSUED FOR NDI, WELDING AND AVIONICS MAIN-TENANCE PERSONNEL. PIO/P VALUE SHOULD BE 40,000 DOLS.

5. ESTIMATED FACTORY REP. COSTS: PILOT 322. DOLS. PER DAY FIRST 14 DAYS AND 252. DOLS. PER DAY EACH SUBSEQUENT DAY. MAINTENANCE REP. 250. DOLS. PER DAY.

6. TRAINING BY BELL AT FT. WORTH, TEXAS COST APPROX. 17,000 DOLS, AND 7,000 DOLS FOR ENGINE TRAINING EXCLUSIVE OF PER/DIEM. TOTAL TRAINING COST ESTIMATED AS FOLLOWS:

TUITION DOLS. 41,470
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PER DIEM 37,500
INTERNATIONAL
TVL 39,600
PILOT TRAINING 12,000
(IN BURMA
TOTAL DOLS. 130,570

7. AGREE THAT POINTS RAISED PARA 4 NEED NOT DELAY

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SIGNING OF CONTRACT WHICH WILL BE NEGOTIATED BETWEEN GSA AND BELL. HOWEVER, APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON WHAT PRIVILEGES GUB AND MISSION WILLING TO PROVIDE THIS REGARD.

8. FAR REACHING ISSUES RAISED IN RANGOON 2146 WILL BE SUBJECT SEPTEL. HOWEVER, ON QUESTION OF MANUALS, WE HAVE EXPLORED WITH BELL POSSIBILITY OF PRINTING SPECIAL

MAINTENANCE MANUALS TO MEET BAF REQUIREMENTS BUT BELL ADVISES THAT COSTS WOULD BE PROHIBITIVE. COMPLETE SET OF U.S. MILITARY MANUALS CAN BE SUPPLIED WITH EACH AIRCRAFT, IF BAF DESIRES, BUT THESE OF COURSE WOULD BE APPLICABLE ONLY TO MILITARYMODELS. WE BELIEVE THAT WITH MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDED INITIAL SPARE PARTS LIST IN ADDITION TO USER DATA AVAILABLE FROM THAI POLICE, A REALISTIC SPARE PARTS LIST CAN BE PREPARED. IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO KNOW MORE PRECISE PROBLEMS ENVISIONED BY BAF IN OPERATING COMMERCIAL MODELS. KISSINGER

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